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# A pretty new Ditty:

OR,

A young Lasses Resolution, As her mind I truly scan,
Who shews in conclusiion, She loves a handsome young man.

To the tune of *I know what I know.*

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YOung Maids and young Men
I pray you give eare,
And with hand and pen
Ile plainly declare,
Of a Maids resolution
which to love is won,
And in the conclusion,
She'll have a handsome young man.

Some happily will
coniecture of mee,
That I desire still
to live wantonly:
No, I am a Lasse sure,
that live unwedded can,
And much will endure
For a handsome young man.

Quoth shee, I am young,
and now in my prime,
Though some stay too long,
yet Ile lose no time:
I will have some pleasure
as soone as I can,
What care I for treasure.
Ile have a handsome young man.

I would have you know,
that I am not so base,
Nor shall our sex so
by mee have disgrace.
No, I have some treasure
beside house and Land.
Therefore ile have pleasure
With a handsome young man.

Some Maidens are coy,
and strange in their carriage,
And scorne to enioy
a neat young man in marriage:
Some wed for money,
and some wed for Land;
But Ile chuse a honey,
Shall be a handsome young man.

The man that ile chuse
shall be of good size,
Yet ile none refuse
if that he be wise:
With handsome complexion,
neat foot, leg, and hand:
This is my affection
To have such a man.

I have knowne some Maids
that have denied men,
And afterwards glad
to obtaine them agen:
They will not, and will,
thus will they withstand:
But tis vis my skill
To have a handsome young man.

If I wed a fole
with great store of treasure,
Then hee'l pine and whule,
and debar me of pleasure:
Hee'l tell mee of fine Gownes,
Kertles, Maske and Fan;
For a thousand pounds
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## The ſecond part, To the ſame tune.

And further than that,
If I wod with a clowne,
He'l anſwer me what,
and with anger hee'l frowne;
Then muſt I beware,
perchance with his hand
He'l ſtrike me o'th eare:
But ile haue no ſuch man.

And many there are,
that are ſomewhat iealous,
But ile haue a care,
and match no ſuch fellowes;
Their wiues were to men
muſt not ſit nor ſtand,
But their heads ake then,
oh hang up ſuch a man.

Loe thus I haue ſhowne
the conditions of ſome;
But none can be knowne
till to tryall they come:
And I am inclined
as ſoone as I can,
For to be ioyned
With a handſome young man.

Some Maidens doe chuſe
for to haue Traueſmen.
And ſome will refuſe
them as much agen.
But for my owne part,
as at firſt I began,
I loue with my heart
a handſome young man.

Let him be a Taylor,
or a neat Shoo-maker,
A Weauer or Gleuer,
a Brower or Baker:
Be he neat or comely,
my loue is ſoone won,
For my mind is onely
Of a handſome young man.

If that he be gallant,
or meane in apparell;
If his looks be valiant,
to maintaine his quarrell,
Then ſhall he be welcome
vnto pretty Nan,
For I am delightſome
To a handſome young man.

I paſſe not what name
hee is called by,
If that I can frame
to loue him truly,
Either Dicke or Robin,
Humphrey, Will, or Iohn,
Any one me ſhall win
That's a handſome young man.

And thus I conclude,
and here end my Song,
Let none thinke me rude,
nor large of my tongue:
For I am intended
as firſt I began,
Then let me be friended
With a handſome young man.

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